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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicants submit the references listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449, copies of which are enclosed. A copy of a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart Japanese application is also enclosed.

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Applicants note that JP S64-74962 and JP 2002-503965 are in the Japanese language. Applicants submit the European patent application and the international patent application corresponding to JP S64-74962 (EP 0283257) and JP 2002-503965 (WO 98/58555) as an English language explanation of JP S64-74962 and JP 2002-503965, respectively.

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